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E.O 11652: GDS

TAGS: YO, PINT, PFOR, PGOV

SUBJECT: RUMOR OF TITO ILLNESS

REF: BELGRADE 5164

EMBOFF PROBED AT MFA OCTOBER 18 TO DETERMINE WHETHER ITALIANS HAVE PICKED UP ANY RUMORS ON PRESENT STATE OF TITO'S HEALTH. TWO KNOWLEDGEABLE SROURCES STATED THAT ITALIANS HAVE NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORTING IN LAST FEW DAYS FROM

THEIR EMBASSY AT BELGRADE ON SUBJECT. YUGOSLAV DESK OFFICER DID INDICATE HE HAD RECEIVED TWO REPORTS FROM OTHER SOURCES HE FAILED TO IDENTIFY WHICH INDICATE POSSIBILITY OF TITO ILLNESS. ACCORDING TO ONE REPORT TITO HAD SUFFERED VERY MILD STROKE WITHIN PAST FEW DAYS, BUT HIS CONDITION HAD QUICKLY IMPROVED AND HE HAS BEEN JUDGED OUT OF ANY DANGER. SECOND

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STORY IS ALONG LINES OF RUMORS CONTAINED REFTEL TO EFFECT
THAT HIS HEALTH IS
RAPIDLY FAILING AS RESULT OF SERIOUS STROKE.
IN ABSENCE OF ANY REPORTING FROM THEIR EMBASSY AT BELGRADE,
ITALIANS FOR PRESENT APPEAR TO BE DOWNPLAYING LATEST RUMORS. VOLPE

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